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**James Wade sentenced to 62 years for murder**

*Wade found guilty by jury for the Murder of Jazmine Trammell*

(Indianapolis, Ind.) Marion County Prosecutor Terry Curry announced today that James Wade has been sentenced to 62 years executed in the Indiana Department of Correction for the March 2014 murder of Jazmine Trammell. Wade was convicted of the crime last month by a jury.

The victim's body was discovered in a wooden chest on the northeast side of Indianapolis on March 23, 2014. The victim had sustained multiple stab wounds, and the manner of death was ruled a homicide. Detectives with the Lawrence Police Department received a tip from an apartment manager that a new tenant, Michael Wade, said he had seen news reports of the victim being found in a wooden chest inside the Maison Garden Apartment complex. Michael Wade recognized the chest as his deceased mother's chest which she had given to his brother, James Wade.

Subsequently, detectives obtained a phone number and address for James Wade and traced cell phone calls from Wade to the victim the night before the incident. Large bleach spots and blood were discovered inside the apartment of James Wade. The blood recovered from the scene matched the DNA of Jazmine Trammell.

*A charge of a crime is merely an accusation, and the defendant is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.*